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title: Need to take steps to fulfil all the assurances made in the Andhra Pradesh Reorganization Act, 2014.

SHRI M. MURLI MOHAN (RAJAHMUNDRY): Hon. Speaker Madam, as a substitute for the Special Category Status, the Union Government on 7th September 2016 has announced special financial package to the State of Andhra Pradesh for fulfilling the assurances made in the Andhra Pradesh Reorganization Act 2014. ...(*Interruptions*) The special financial package *inter ali*a says that there will be 100 per cent funding of Polavaram national irrigation project, tax concessions and special assistance etc. ...(*Interruptions*)

Shri Arun Jaitly, the hon. Finance Minister, while announcing such special finance package, has stated that the special assistance measures will be ratified by the Union Cabinet soon. The State will also get two tax concessions for accelerated depreciation and investment allowances, details of which will be notified by the CBDT shortly. ...(*Interruptions*) Several other issues such as the railway zone issue, delimitation of constituencies in the AP State are also under consideration. However, despite a lapse of more than three months after announcing the special finance package no progress has been made till now on this issue. ...(*Interruptions*)

The State of Andhra Pradesh is reeling under severe financial crisis. The establishment of a new railway zone at Visakhapatnam, commencement of a tribal university and a Central university, a major port at Durgarajapatnam in Nellore district and integrated steel plant at Kadapa district and also enhancement of Assembly seats in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana as promised in the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 have not yet seen the light of the day. ...(*Interruptions*) I would urge upon the Union Government to provide legislation binding to the special package announced by them for the State of Andhra Pradesh without any further delay.

I would also urge upon the Union Government to fulfil all the assurances made in the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 in letter and spirit. ...(*Interruptions*)

Thank you very much.